be outside the scope of FTS, the requirement shall be submitted to GSA/T prior to initiating acquisition action. An exception to the mandatory use of the FTS long distance network will be given if GSA determines the service cannot be provided by the FTS.

## Subpart 101-35.4—Consolidated Local Telecommunications Service

## §101-35.400 Scope of subpart.

This subpart discusses local telecommunications facilities and services provided to executive agencies by GSA and other agencies.

#### §101-35.401 General.

Consolidated local telecommunications service is available in most buildings occupied by concentrations of Federal employees. Local communications includes any access services which provide, for a monthly fee, electronic connectivity to a larger telecommunications network and those support services which provide for the acquisition, operation and management of attached systems. Information on the use of consolidated local telecommunications services may be obtained from: GSA, Federal Telecommunications Service, Office of Regional Services (TR), 1730 M Street, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036.

### §101-35.402 Policies.

(a) All executive agencies shall evaluate sharing Government owned or contracted local telecommunications facilities and services. Evaluation criteria and associated decisions must be documented as appropriate.

(b) Executive agencies receiving local telecommunications services from another agency, e.g., a GSA consolidated switch, must acknowledge their shared responsibility to that community of agencies in exchange for those services. Such a community shall be considered a telecommunications "Shared Resource Community." The agency primarily responsible for providing telecommunications service(s) to members of this community shall be the "Lead Agency." Lead agencies must acknowl-

edge their responsibility(s) to provide services until an alternative arrangement has been coordinated with the community. Different agencies may take the lead in providing different services. Memoranda of Agreement will identify responsibilities and cost-recovery mechanisms.

(c) GSA charges to agencies for consolidated local telecommunications service will cover expenses for installation, changes in service, a common distributable charge, and termination.

# Subpart 101-35.5—National Security and Emergency Preparedness (NSEP)

## §101-35.500 Scope of subpart.

This subpart discusses NSEP services and assistance provided by GSA to executive agencies.

# §101-35.501 General.

Executive Order 12472 (49 FR 13471, 3 CFR, 1984 Comp., p. 193), requires that GSA ensure that the NSEP requirements of agencies are met. GSA incorporates NSEP safeguards and support features in networks and services it provides for agencies. GSA also provides emergency telecommunications for the special needs of agencies and helps agencies plan, obtain, and maintain continuity of telecommunications during wartime and non-wartime emergencies.

# §101-35.502 Policy.

Agencies shall use available GSA telecommunications systems and services to meet their NSEP requirements.

### §101-35.503 Procedures.

Before acquiring services or facilities to meet special NSEP requirements, agencies shall review GSA-provided services. Agencies shall coordinate their special NSEP requirements with: General Services Administration, Federal Telecommunications Service, Office of Service Delivery, NSEP Center (TOS), 18th & F Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20405.